



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of

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Appln. No.: 08/915,683

Group Art Unit: 1752

Confirmation No.: Unassigned

Examiner: M. HUFF

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For: **DIRECT POSITIVE PHOTOGRAPHIC SILVER HALIDE EMULSION AND COLOR
PHOTOGRAPHIC LIGHT-SENSITIVE MATERIAL COMPRISING SAME**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 8.

Please enter the following amended claim:

1. (Five Times Amended) An internal latent image direct positive photographic silver halide emulsion comprising tabular silver halide grains having an average grain diameter of not less than 0.3 μm and an aspect ratio of from not less than 2 to not more than 100 in an amount of not less than 50% of all silver halide grains as calculated in terms of area; wherein said tabular silver halide grains are core/shell grains having a core and an external shell, the average grain thickness a along the main plane of the external shell thereof is from not less than 0.2 μm to not more than 1.5 μm and the average grain thickness b perpendicular to the main

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